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Dear Harold,

Sylvia is not in the best of health and has asked me to write in response to the letter you recently sent her. She asked me to say that she's heard nothing from Bob Richter in at least 20 years.

I hope that this letter finds you reasonably well and still feisty. I have a reminiscence of my own about Richter, since I interviewed him extensively twelve years ago about his involvement in the 1967 CBS four-part documentary. Bob gave me full access to his CBS files at that time. I remember that, even then, he wanted to do a film about the case but had no idea where to find the money for one. I suppose PBS has now answered his prayers.

I would be quite surprised if Richter has put any stock in Lifton's Best Evidence theories, because I know that, twenty years ago, he took somewhat of a dim view of Lifton when he was interviewing the critics. But it's difficult to figure Richter because he strikes me as something of an opportunist. I recall that he wrote to CBS denying making statements that he was quoted as making, even though he repeated the same substance of those quotations to me. I think that he always had it in mind not to "burn his bridges behind him" in the event CBS might wish to rehire him one day.

I'm really sorry that I haven't kept in touch lately. Since the beginning of August 1987, I've been involved in a massive litigation which just came to a conclusion, and it's kept me quite busy. As you can see from the enclosed letter, however, I'm still keeping an eye on the case.

Best to you and Lil for the New Year!